

REMARKS

Claims 20-25 are currently pending in the application. Claims 1-4 and 10-19 are withdrawn from prosecution as being directed to a non-elected group.

Claim 20 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs. The Examiner appeared to object to the use of the term “solvate”. Applicants respectfully submit that the term “solvate” is adequately described and enabled in the specification at page 24, lines 8-14. The term “solvate” is used in the conventional sense to refer to a complex of solute and solvent. Applicants submit that one of ordinary skill in the art would understand the use of this term based on the disclosure.

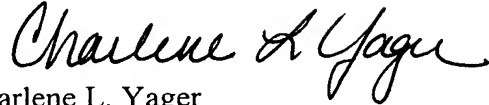
The term “chemically protected form” also appears to form a basis for the rejection. Applicants respectfully submit that this term is also adequately described and enabled in the specification at page 24, lines 16-30. Applicants submit that one of ordinary skill in the art would understand this term based on the disclosure.

In addition, the term “prodrug” appears to form a basis for the rejection. Again, Applicants submit that this term is adequately defined and enabled in the specification at page 26, line 1-page 27, line 13. From the disclosure in the specification, Applicants submit that one of ordinary skill in the art would be able to produce prodrugs of the claimed compounds.

Applicants respectfully submit that the remainder of the discussion in the Office Action is not clearly related to a specific rejection, and therefore Applicants cannot respond at this time. Thus, applicants request clarification of the pending rejections.

In conclusion, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and earnestly solicit a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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